

# TP2R Meeting Thursday, March 9, 2006 East Tennessee Environmental Conference Kingsport TN Meeting notes and other updates

Next TP2R meeting dates:

- Thursday, June 8, 2006, Nashville area (TBA)
- September 13, Montgomery Bell State Park (with 2006 PP2 Conference)
- Thursday, December 8, Jackson, Delta Faucet

### Notes from the March 9, 2006 Roundtable Meeting



The TP2R meeting was started with presentations by the two newest TP3 Performers: Sean Fisher with Bridgestone Firestone, Warren County;



and Adrian Ridley with TN Koyo Steering, Vonore.

See all of their Success Stories by clicking on 

www.tdec.net/ea/tp3/tp3\_BSFS

and

www.tdec.net/ea/tp3/tp3\_koyo

The regular meeting was called to order at 2:45 PM by facilitator Emily Saunders, SACE in a room at the Meadowview Convention Center in Kingsport, TN. Harding Aslinger UT CIS was recognized as the secretary for the meeting who would be recording the minutes for the meeting and handed out a sign in sheet for attendees to complete creating an attendance record for the meeting. There were thirty-six who signed in for the meeting making attendance comparable to recent meetings at other locations. The attendee list is attached below.

Ms. Saunders introduced Mr. Mark Braswell from the TDEC Johnson City Environmental Field Office (JCEFO) who welcomed everyone to the TP2R Meeting, the Fifth Annual East Tennessee Environmental Conference, and the Meadowview Marriott and then provided some information regarding the area and points of interest to visitors. Ms Jan Compton, Environmental Coordinator, at the JCEFO was also recognized and designated as the official photographer for today's Roundtable Meeting.

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Ms. Lori Munkeboe, Director TDEC's Office of Environmental Assistance presented an overview of the Calsonic Kansei Shelbyville facility and then presented their representative Patrick Lynch with the facilities Partner Certificate. Calsonic Kansei is an automotive components supplier with multiple locations in middle Tennessee and is actively involved in Community Outreach including having its name on the Walking Horse Arena there in Shelbyville. Calsonic Kansei was the only member receiving Partner Level at this meeting and Ms. Jan Compton photographed their certificate presentation.



Secondly, Ms. Munkeboe provided an overview of the 2006 Environmental Stewardship Awards detailing the intent of the department to this year not only designate all the awards as "Governors" Award but to have them all presented by the Governor. All businesses, industries, government organizations, etc., are encouraged to nominate themselves or others for these awards in order that the information regarding the best practices be recognized. **Deadline is March 31! Visit <u>www.tdec.net/awards/</u> for details and nomination forms.** 



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Providing insight into the February 2, 2006 Middle Tennessee Environmental Forum were Ms. Karen Grubbs TDEC EAC and Ms. Diane Scher BFNT. The forum presented "Kilowatt Ours" and followed with a discussion with the filmmaker. The film emphasized opportunities and benefits of reducing and saving overall electricity usage in order to avoid building more power generating plants in the future to meet increasing needs. A follow up session on May 4, 2006 in Knoxville is one of the "Premier Presentations" and everyone's attendance is welcome. Log on to <a href="http://www.kilowattours.org">http://www.kilowattours.org</a> for the schedule and information about the initiative. The film is well done, offering concrete suggestions for reducing your electric bill.

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Mr. Ricky King, Environmental Health & Safety Manager for Lodge Manufacturing provided information from the February 15, 2006 EPA Region 4 Beneficial Reuse of Industrial Byproducts Nashville Forum. Beneficial use of industrial byproducts is a national EPA priority under the EPA's Resource Conservation Challenge. The purpose of the forum was resource conservation based to work with the challenges to increase beneficial use of items such as foundry sand, fly ash, and other 'spent' materials.

The forum was well attended. TDEC Deputy Commissioner Paul Sloan took time from his busy schedule to speak at the forum and the Department of Environment was well represented with at least a dozen representatives including Glen Pugh and Louis Bordenave. Thea McManus and Robert Burchard came in from the EPA Washington, DC Office. Mary Beth Vanpelt from EPA Region IV facilitated the forum. There were ten signed up from foundries along with representatives from FIRST, TVA and the American Coal Ash Association.

Elizabeth Olenbush of FIRST summed up the success of the forum, "....It [the forum] accomplished one of the important objectives, which is to demystify foundry sand and other industrial byproducts so that state agencies understand that there are environmentally and economically sustainable market options that do not have to involve landfill disposal." Angie Ballew discussed the importance of the forums for industry, "...it was a really good forum. These kinds of meetings and alliances are necessary for the various industries in order to share resources and information."

Tennessee is one of the few states that have a workable beneficial reuse policy and should serve as an example for other states to follow.

One current beneficial reuse project that was being considered by Lodge was a fill project for New Hope, Tennessee Park Development. The project site was inspected by Dr. Urban and Joe Hartman from the Chattanooga EAC and it was sent to the Heritage Foundation for consideration. Although the old 'highway borrow pit' is not thought to be in a wetland and could possibly be filled, it most likely is needed by the endangered Barking Frog. It may be possible to create another pond close by for the frogs and then fill the borrow pit. This might seem like a deterrent to the park development, however, it might actually be to their advantage. If the Heritage Foundation will approve the park development, the park could be developed to protect the Barking Frog and used for environmental education. If approved, it may be possible that monies would be available to develop walking trails and signage to be used for environmental education. The 'Barking Frog Park' could build on this idea, and as suggested by Dr. Urban, the community could even consider a "Barking Frog Festival". Just a suggestion...

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Dr. Jack Barkenbus, University of Tennessee, provided a report on the Environmental Sustainability and Compliance in Tennessee Higher Education Conference at Fisk University on March 7 & 8, 2006. Dr. Barkenbus reported good attendance with 115 registered attendees that exceeded the initial projections.



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- Sponsors of the conference included Tennessee Koyo, Denso Manufacturing, Bridgestone Firestone, Clean Harbors Environmental, Louisiana-Pacific, and the Tennessee Recycling Coalition.
- Attendees came from 23 institutes of higher education across Tennessee and included not only the large universities but also many smaller liberal arts and community colleges
- There were multiple tracks running simultaneously and the one receiving the highest level of participation and feedback was the Operations (recycling, energy, etc.) Session.

Check out the presentations by visiting the HE Conference website: http://www.vanderbilt.edu/Green\_Campus\_Conference/Presentations.htm

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The Morrison Bridgestone Firestone facility achieved TP3 Performer Level last June and because of various circumstances has not to date held their celebration; however that is about to change. On April 25, Governor Bredesen along with the Commissioners from the Department of Environment and Conservation and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will be present to help Bridgestone Firestone celebrate superior environmental and safety performance at the Morrison facility. Attendance is by invitation only from the corporate office and will include the TP2R Review Panel members.

Planning for the third bi-annual Planting P2 Conference this September is coming along quiet well under the leadership of chairperson Diane Scher of Bridgestone Firestone. The conference will begin on Thursday September 14, 2006 with a TP2R Meeting in the morning and continue into the afternoon and through Friday morning with a luncheon and mid-day close planned to allow those traveling a great distance to get back at a reasonable time.

- The conference will be held at Montgomery Bell State Park.
- There will be an opening keynote speaker who is yet to be named but the planning team is evaluating options.
- The University of Tennessee Center for Industrial Services may host and conduct a Jeopardy Game.
- The next planning meeting [was held] Wednesday March 15 at the TDEC office.
- The April meeting will be schedule soon.
- Everyone is welcome to provide input into conference planning and on desired speakers.

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The next TP2R Meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2006 in Nashville. Karen Grubbs reported the location selected would be outside downtown Nashville to avoid conflicting with "Fan Fair". Curtis Hopper advised the Review Panel that the meeting is anticipated to have a wonderful agenda.

- Bridgestone Firestone, Tennessee Koyo, and Delta will have presentations for maintaining Performer.
- The James H. Quillen VA Medical Center and Marvin windows and Doors will be petitioning for Performer.

The September meeting will be in conjunction with the P2 Conference on September 14 and the December meeting is tentatively planned in Jackson at Delta on December 7 (Pearl Harbor Day).

What will TP3 look like "Going Forward"? The concept and some considerations for change was introduced by Lori Munkeboe who stressed that there had been input from Deputy Commissioner Paul Sloan regarding the proposal. At this point, the concepts are being presented for consideration by the Review Panel with feed back



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requested. There were many questions and much discussion as the proposal was new and freshly presented to the Review Panel. Karen Grubbs emphasized that it was a draft and revisions were to be expected so in the interest of staying on time, the subject was tabled for later discussion. Some of the revisions presented included:

- Wanting to streamline the internal review process with all information flowing in and out through Curtis Hopper.
- A change at the Partner Level to have member who have been at that level for three years to "reup".
- A change at the Performer Level to have a multi member collaborative project like "Bio Diesel" or a success story/community outreach/mentoring and maintain on two-year intervals. The mega project is concept has been name the "TP3 Sustainability Challenge Commitment"

The proposed luncheon that was mentioned by Lori Munkeboe has been reconfigured to be a pre-conference banquet for TP3 Performers and EPA Performance Track members. We will keep the members apprised of the details and meeting in preparation of the banquet and announcements.



You are encouraged to visit these websites for more information:

www.biodiesel.org and

http://www.etcfc.org/

Concluding the meeting, Darren Curtis, Staff Engineer – Eastman's Biodiesel Program provided an update on Eastman's conversion of its entire on and off road fleet to Biodiesel. Mr. Curtis advised that there had been minimal issues and that largely what issues that were encountered were largely due to the cleaning of the tanks, which occurs with Biodiesel.



Jonathan Overly Executive Director of East Tennessee Clean Fuels Coalition supported the information presented from Eastman, as did Alan Jones with the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

Chair Emily Saunders adjourned the meeting promptly at 4:00 PM, and the networking continued with refreshments provided by the Conference.

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## TP3 Membership Statistics

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TP3 Category/Level Totals

Category	Level		<b>Total</b>	
Business	Pledge		15	
	Prospect		47	
Business	•	Total:		62
Gov't Agency	Partner		1	
	Pledge		10	
	Prospect		29	
Gov't Agency		Total:		40
Household	Pledge		14	
	Prospect		46	
Household		Total:		60
Industry	Performer		6	
	Partner		15	
	Pledge		35	
	Prospect		52	
Industry		Total:		108
Organization	Pledge		6	
	Prospect		20	
Organization		Total:		26
School	Performer		1	
	Partner		9	
	Pledge		67	
	Prospect		127	
School		Total:		204

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www.tdec.net/ea/tp3

Level	Total
Performer	7
Partner	25
Pledge	147
Prospect	321
Total	500

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